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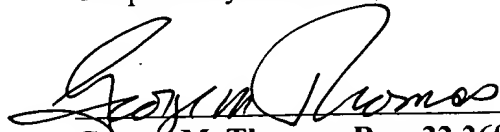
This responds to the Office Action dated July 22, 2003.

The Office Action of July 22, 2003, indicates that two species of the invention are claimed. The species are identified in the Office Action as Fig. 2 and Fig. 4.

Applicant hereby elects the species illustrated in Fig. 2.

Claims 1-3, 5-23 and 25-30 are readable on the species illustrated in Fig. 2.

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